

The American Legion

News: Local, State, National

County Executive Committee Meets To-night and Probably Will Elect Successor to Chairman G. B. Compton

Rev. Dr. John W. Inzer Makes Plea to Legionaries Not to Hamper the Government by Pressing Bonus Demand

A new county chairman, to succeed George Brokaw Compton, who resigned as the head of the American Legion in New York County after the stormy debate over the bonus question last Monday night, possibly will be chosen this evening, when the executive committee of the county meets.

Chairman Compton's resignation will not take effect until April 10, but as the time is so short his successor is almost certain to be named. Who this will be can't even be surmised at this time. The committee will cast around for a man in whom all the delegates will have confidence and who is known to be a capable executive.

Anticipated resignations of other officers who, it was feared, might follow Chairman Compton's lead, have not come to pass fortunately for the organization. Now that the bonus storm has subsided, it is probable, Legion leaders say, that the new chairman will find a splendid spirit of cooperation when he assumes office.

Dr. Inzer's Views

Few Legionaries who attended the St. Louis caucus, at which the American Legion was born, will ever forget the Rev. Dr. John W. Inzer, pastor of the First Baptist Church, at Chattanooga, Tenn. In those days Dr. Inzer was a delegate from Alabama, and in a crucial hour, when it seemed that the Legion was doomed to failure, he made a speech which is generally credited with having saved the organization. He has written his views on the bonus question to Chairman Fordney of the House Ways and Means Committee, and in the course of his letter he says: "In a selfish moment, in a money-mad age, some of us really seem to have lost sight of our higher ideals, and the discussion of this question at the present is contrary to American traditions and ideals of nobility in her citizenship, manhood and soldiering. It certainly is embarrassing to loyal hearts who dreamed such unselfish patriotic dreams, for this great organization to be put before the country in the light that we have all asked for this thing and that we are demanding it."

"Surely if humanity and American ideals needed our spirit, sacrifice and service during the war, it just as greatly needs them now. This is the hour when law and order, Americanism and our civilization are passing through the crisis. We fear our boys do not realize this situation. "In response to this agitation, 'look what they did for the shipbuilders,' I can only speak for myself. I would rather be \$1,000 in debt to-day and an ex-soldier of this war, with a song of joy in my heart and a blessed consciousness of a willingness to do my bit, than to have \$1,000 in my pocket and no debt and be an ex-shipyard worker, or to have been in any other haven of escape."

LEGION NOTES

The Americanism committee has arranged a program for the next meeting of the post teams on Americanism on Tuesday, April 6, at the Automobile Club of America, 247 West Fifty-fourth Street, that promises to create a greater interest than ever in this important Legion activity.

On April 6 at the Bronx County Courthouse the county delegates representing all posts in the borough of the Bronx will meet and discuss the

housing situation and adjusted compensation.

The following notice has been received from Albert T. Robinson, secretary of Manhattan Naval Post:

"The executive committee of Manhattan Naval Post has endorsed the action of H. M. Schwab at the county committee meeting, and at future county committee meetings Mr. Schwab will be assisted by two new delegates from the Manhattan Naval Post."

"A Bronx Cocktail," the musical extravaganza to be presented April 24 at the 23d Regiment Armory, 168th Street and Fort Washington Avenue, under the combined auspices of the forty-five American Legion posts in the Bronx, will have thirty principals and a chorus of more than 100. Rehearsals are held Monday, Wednesday and Friday at the 2d Field Artillery Armory, 160th Street and Franklin Avenue, the Bronx.

On Easter Sunday afternoon, the 77th Division Club will give a concert at the clubhouse, 27 West Twenty-fifth Street, for ex-members of the division and their friends.

A minstrel show and dance will be given by Bay Ridge Post 157 at Prospect Hall, Brooklyn, on May 5.

A concert will be held in the Morosco Theater April 18, for the benefit of Barbara Frietche Post 43, of the American Legion. The receipts will be used in the erection of a home for the post.

The regular monthly meeting of the Naval Auxiliary Reserve Post 16 will be held next Wednesday, at 20 West Forty-fourth Street. Colonel Richard Derby, Captain T. W. Timmons and Lieutenant Commander Charles Hann Jr. will speak.

Chelsea Post 496 will hold an entertainment and ball next Tuesday in the Pennsylvania Hotel.

Sagamore Post 548 will hold a dance at the Imperial, Brooklyn, next Wednesday evening.

Four posts have written The Tribune asking that their vote on the bonus question be published. They are the 10th Machine Gun Battalion Post and the Fidelity Post, both opposed, and the Broadway Post and the Henry W. Gundlach Post, who favor it.

Manhattan Post 320 will meet tomorrow night at 10 West Sixtieth Street to elect a new secretary.

The next meeting of Sergeant Joyce Kilmer Post 55 will be held tomorrow night, at 854 Flatbush Avenue, Brooklyn.

New York Major Honored

Awarded D. S. M. for Charging German Machine Gun Nest

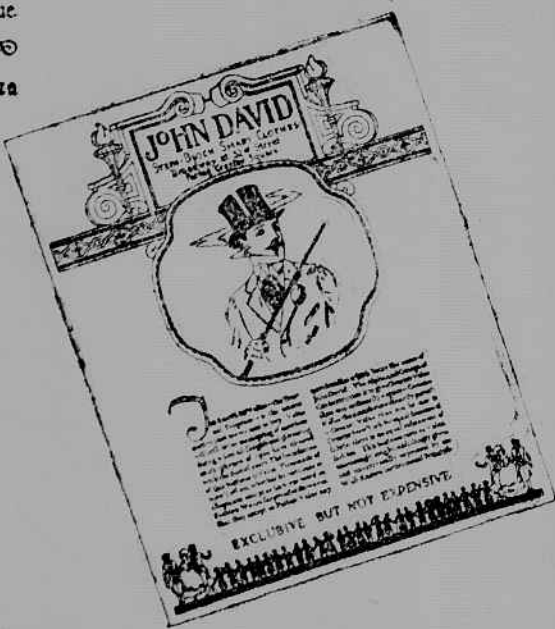
WASHINGTON, March 31.—For extraordinary heroism in action in the Bois des Rappes, October 15, 1918, Major Geoffrey P. Baldwin, 430 West 118th Street, New York, was today awarded the Distinguished Service Medal by the War Department. "In utter disregard of his own life," the citation said, "Major Baldwin personally charged a machine gun nest and killed the gunner."

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